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- 1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY USMILGP, RIO IN RESPONSE REF A AND PROVIDES UPDATE REF B.
- 2. BRAZNAV MINISTER, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF NAVY MATERIAL, AND OTHER OFFICIALS VISITED VOSPER THORNYCRAFT SHIPBUILDERS ENGLAND FOR ATTENDANCE 8 FEB LAUNCHING OF FIRST MK 10 FRIGATE. THIS VISIT DID NOT INCLUDE FORMAL DISCUSSIONS RELATIVE TO U.K. AAW FRIGATE PROPOSAL. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT BRAZNAV DIRECTOR GENERAL OF MATERIAL DID INFORMALLY SUGGEST THAT VOSPER CONSIDER SHIFTING CONSTRUCTION TO BRAZIL LAST OF FOUR MK 10 FRIGATES NOW SCHEDULED FOR CONSTRUCTION IN ENGLAND.
- 3. CONSIDER BRAZNAV DECISIONS RELATIVE AAW FRIGATE CONFIDENTIAL

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ACQUISITIONS WILL BE HELD IN ABEYANCE UNTIL COMPLETION MID-

MARCH 74 BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT CHANGES.

4. REF C PROPOSED MID-APRIL 74 IN-COUNTRY TECHNICAL BRIEF OF U.S PATROL FRIGATE. BRAZNAV INTEREST THIS PROGRAM POSTULATED TO HAVE POTENTIAL AS SUBSTITUTE FOR AAW FRIGATE REQUIREMENTS IN ADDITION FUTURE STANDARDIZED REPLACEMENT SHIP TYPE FOR OLDER DESTROYER UNITS.

5. WILL FURTHER ADVISE. CRIMMINS

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